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Independent Claims	2	-	3	=	0 x 84 =	\$ 0.00
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3. A check including the amount of \$740.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee.

4. Cancel claims 1-8 before calculating the Filing Fee.

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

6. Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line:

--This is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/940,984, filed August 29, 2001.--.

7. New drawings are enclosed, ten (10) sheets, Figs. 1-10.

8. The power of attorney is set forth in the Declaration in the prior application or an associate power of attorney is hereby granted to:

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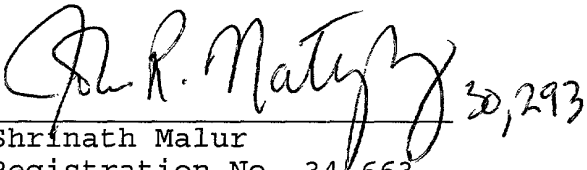
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9. The prior application is assigned to Hitachi, Ltd.

10. Priority of the following Japanese patent application is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119:

No. 2001-075241, filed March 16, 2001.

The undersigned hereby declares that no matter contained in the specification, including the claims, and drawings filed in the present divisional application would have been new matter in the prior application Serial No. 09/940,984, as originally filed on August 29, 2001.


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